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TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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GARMENT IMPORT
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total production, demand and supply of garments in the country during each of the last three years;

(b) whether there is any gap between demand and supply of garments;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether garments are being imported to fulfil the demand in the country;

(e) if so, the value and quantity of garments imported during each of the last three years; and

(f) the percentage of demand of garments in the country that has been fulfilled by importing garments during the said period ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (c): The production in apparel sector during 2005-06 was of the order of Rs. 93328 crore including Rs. 37208 crore for exports and Rs. 56120 crore for the domestic market. No definite figure of any gap between demand and supply of garments can be indicated in the absence of official estimates of demand of garments in the country. However, there have been no reports of shortage in the supply of garments in the country.

(d) to (f): Imports of readymade garments during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (April to December) have been of the order of Rs. 149.54 crore (7705000 pieces), Rs. 251.59 crore (8133000 pieces) and Rs. 236.96 crore (8816000 pieces) respectively. The total imports of ready made garments during the last three years are thus less than one per cent of the total domestic production of apparel during 2005-06 alone.